

The following guidance is provided by the Maryland Cannabis Administration (MCA) to assist existing medical cannabis program participants to understand the new State laws and regulations governing the medical program that take effect July 1, 2023. This document is not legal advice. It is meant to highlight operational changes for **the medical cannabis program**. Please consult an attorney if you have any questions regarding the legal requirements that apply.

The new regulations are supplemental to the State's existing medical program regulations codified in COMAR 10.62. Accordingly, few regulatory changes have been adopted that impact medical patients or caregivers.

<u>All</u> patient, provider, and caregiver registrations issued by the MMCC are valid until the expiration date listed in your OneStop account.

The MCA will manage the following operations in the same capacity as under the prior MMCC regulations, including:

- Registration of Certifying Providers;
- Registration of Patients and Caregivers;
- Issuance and renewal of Written Certifications;
- Issuance and renewal of Patient and Caregiver Identification cards;
- Petition for the approval of new conditions; and'
- Clinical Director availability requirements.

Additionally, the following regulations have been added to ensure patient and caregiver access to their medicine including:

- Reserved patient hours for medical-only dispensing;
- Reserved patient lanes at licensed dispensaries; and
- Reserved products for medical patients.

Lastly, patients will no longer be required to complete a patient attestation at the point-of-sale.

Questions?

The MCA will be hosting a webinar to answer questions pertaining to the new regulations on June 14th at 1PM Eastern. <u>You can register for the Webinar here</u>, and a recording will be made available afterwards.

The MCA is encouraging licensees and stakeholders to submit questions in advance of the webinar in the <u>linked Google Form</u>. We recommend that you submit questions prior to June 7th for full consideration by MCA Staff.